

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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# Council adopts a new City Plan: Nanaimo Relmagined.

## **Summary**

On Monday, July 4, 2022, Nanaimo City Council passed the third and final reading of the City Plan Bylaw 2022 No.

City Plan Bylaw 2022 No. 6600 is the result of the REIMAGINE NANAIMO process that involved the input of thousands of Nanaimo citizens. City Plan: Nanaimo Relmagined is a comprehensive approach to community planning that goes beyond the minimum requirements of a standard Official Community Plan under the Local Government Act. This document will serve as the City's Official Community Plan (OCP); Parks, Recreation, Culture and Wellness Plan; Transportation Plan; Activity Mobility Plan; Climate Action and Resiliency Plan; and Accessibility and Inclusion Plan.

Implementation of the goals outlined in City Plan: Nanaimo Relmagined will be supported by two key documents, an Integrated Action Plan and a Monitoring Strategy, that are set to be finalized by spring 2023. The Integrated Action Plan will bring together many short term, ongoing and long term projects and programs to implement the new City Plan. The Monitoring Strategy will use key indicators to track progress towards the goals. Robust monitoring will be vital to equip the community, staff and City Council with the information needed to respond to the evolving context of the community, determine whether the policies are being achieved and realign priorities as needed.

Learn more about the REIMAGINE NANAIMO process and view the City Plan: Nanaimo ReImagined at www.nanaimo.ca or www.getinvolvednanaimo.ca.

Strategic Link: City Plan: Nanaimo Relmagined incorporates Council's strategic priorities to be a community that is livable, environmentally sustainable and full of opportunity for all.

# **Key Points**

- City Plan: Nanaimo Relmagined is Nanaimo's new Official Community Plan; Parks, Recreation, Culture and Wellness Plan; Transportation Plan; Active Mobility Plan; Climate Action and Resiliency Plan; and Accessibility and Inclusion Plan.
- The process involved thousands of inputs from the community, interested and affected agencies and organizations including government-to-government engagement with Snuneymuxw First Nation.
- Implementation of City Plan: Nanaimo Relmagined will be supported by two key documents, an Integrated Action Plan and a Monitoring Strategy intended to be finalized by spring 2023.

### Quotes

"The community showed up with passion and creativity throughout the REIMAGINE NANAIMO process. Now that City Plan: Nanaimo ReImagined is officially in place, I am excited to watch Nanaimo grow knowing careful thought and thorough community engagement will guide the next 25+ years."

Leonard Krog Mayor City of Nanaimo

### **Quick Facts**

- City Plan: Nanaimo Relmagined (Bylaw 2022 No. 6600) reinforces and builds on existing directions considered effective in the 2008 Official Community Plan, while at the same time integrating new policy directions.
- Despite the impacts and uncertainty posed by the global COVID-19 pandemic, the development of City Plan:
   Nanaimo Relmagined involved thousands of inputs from the community received through surveys, online platforms, emails, virtual and in-person meetings, student classroom participation, workshops, an open house and other methods.

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